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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
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**Re: Requirements for Digital Television Receiving Capability, ET
Docket No. 05-24**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of TTE Corporation, the manufacturer of RCA television products, the undersigned, together with Dave Arland, Vice President, Communications and Government Affairs, Connectivity Business Unit, Thomson Inc., and Bharath Rajagopalan, PhD, General Manager, North America Profit Center of TTE Corporation, met with staff representing both the Media Bureau and the Office of Engineering and Technology on March 16, 2005 principally to discuss issues relating to antennas to be used with digital television receivers. In the course of that meeting, we also discussed briefly the NPRM in ET Docket No. 05-24.

FCC staff present at the meeting were: Michael Lance, Eloise Gore, John Wong, Wayne McKee, Gordon Godfrey, Alison Greenwald, John Gabrysch, and Keith Larson of the Media Bureau; and Ira Keltz, David Sturdivant, Ron Chase, Harry Wong, and Saurbh Chhabra of the Office of Engineering and Technology.

We described multiple problems associated with the interim 50% requirement of the DTV tuner mandate, including the lack of manufacturer control over DTV product sales and difficulties of enforcement. For those reasons, we indicated that eliminating the interim 50% requirement for DTV receivers with screen sizes 25 inches to 36 inches, and establishing a new appropriate date for the 100% requirement would be beneficial to the DTV transition. We also updated the FCC staff on TTE's product plans in that regard, specifically noting the introduction of the 27-inch RCA SDTV fully integrated receiver later this year.

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This letter is being filed pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Lawrence R. Sidman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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